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VIA ECF

Hon. Robert W. Lehrburger
United States Courthouse
Southern District of New York
500 Pearl Street, Room 1960
New York, NY 10007

Re: *Pryimachenko v. Home Box Office, Inc., et al. (Case No. 1:23-cv-10034)*

Dear Judge Lehrburger,

We represent Defendant Home Box Office, Inc. (“HBO”) in the above-captioned action. Pursuant to Rule III.B of Your Honor’s Individual Practices in Civil Cases, we write to respectfully request that the Court enter a stay of discovery in this matter pending resolution of HBO’s anticipated motion to dismiss Plaintiff Adrii Pryimachenko’s (“Plaintiff”) First Amended Complaint. HBO also respectfully asks that the Court adjourn the January 16, 2024 deadline for the parties to file a joint letter and proposed Case Management Plan, and adjourn the initial scheduling conference set for January 23, 2024, until after the Court has resolved HBO’s motion to dismiss. Plaintiff agrees to all of these requests, and this is the first time such relief has been sought.

“Upon a showing of good cause[,] a district court has considerable discretion to stay discovery pursuant to Rule 26(c).” *Republic of Turkey v. Christie’s, Inc.*, 316 F. Supp. 3d 675, 677 (S.D.N.Y. 2018) (citation and alterations omitted); *see also Arungwa v. Brennan et al.*, No. 1:17-cv-09586-GHW, Dkt. 26 (S.D.N.Y. 2018) (granting letter motion for stay of discovery until resolution of defendant’s motion to dismiss). Here, a stay would not prejudice any party: not only has Plaintiff consented to the stay, but it would serve the interest of efficiency because it would allow the parties to avoid expending substantial resources on discovery prior to the Court’s resolution of HBO’s motion to dismiss.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this submission.

Respectfully,

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